

# **NEWPORT COUNTY REGIONAL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

## **Board of Superintendents Meeting**

**Thursday, August 23, 2012**

**12:00 noon – Regular Meeting**

**Held at Oliphant Administration**

**Superintendents Present: Mrs. R. Kraeger, Middletown Public Schools**

**Mr. W. Rearick, Tiverton Public Schools**

**Mrs. K. Crowley, Little Compton Public Schools**

**Also Present: Mrs. R. Santa, Director, Newport County Regional, NCR**

**Mrs. L. Brow, Assist. Dir., NCR**

**Mrs. G. Augustus, Business Mgr**

**Mrs. C. Silvia, Admin. Assist., NCR**

**Atty. Mary Ann Carroll**

**The meeting was called to order at 12:17 by Mr. Rearick.**

## **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Approval of Minutes of the July 31, 2012 Board of Superintendents Meeting**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger. 2) Mrs. K. Crowley To approve the minutes of the July 31, 2012 meeting minutes. Unanimous Vote.**

## **II. CORRESPONDENCE**

The following information was provided to the Board for their information.

- **Transportation Lists – Separate File**
- **Welcome Back Packet – Separate Packet**
- **Bradley School Tuitions**
- **Statewide Transportation System – 2012 & 2013 Rates**
- **Personnel Assignments 2012-2013 School Year**
- **NCRSEP Open House**
- **Certification as Special Educator of Children with Severe Disabilities – Sherlock Ctr**

## **III. OLD BUSINESS**

- **Out of District Placements – Separate File**
- **Medicaid Reimbursement Update – Separate File**

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Recommendations on Personnel**

#### **A. Personnel Matters**

##### **1. Resignations/ Requests for Leave**

##### **a) Jared Pieper – Teacher Assistant – Resignation**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger 2) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2), That the Board of Superintendents accepts the above named Non-Certified Personnel's letter of resignation. Unanimous Vote.**

**b) Christine Kraus – Special Educator – Ranger School - Request for Leave**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel's request for leave. Unanimous Vote.**

**c) Sherrie Monaco – Regional School Psychologist – Request for Extension of Leave**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger 2) Mrs. K. Crowley, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel's request for extension of leave. Unanimous Vote.**

**d) Sue Lima – Special Educator – Tiverton Middle School - Request for Leave**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger 2) Mrs. K. Crowley, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel's request for leave. Unanimous Vote.**

## **2. Recommendations – Certified Personnel**

**a) Jamie Toner – Regional Social Worker – Increase from .6 to full time.**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel be increased from .6 to full time. Mr. Rearick opposed.**

**b) Rebecca Duggan – Special Educator – PHS – Rescind Lay-Off Notice/Appoint**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel's**

**lay-off notice be rescinded and be appointed to PHS for the 2012-2013**

**SY. Unanimous Vote**

**c) Brooke Lowery – Regional Speech Pathologist – Full Time**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above named Certified Personnel as Regional Speech Pathologist, Full Time pending certification.**

**Unanimous Vote**

**d) NCRSEP Administrator's Participation in the Flexible Spending Account (FSA)**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That this agenda item be tabled until further coordination with the Middletown Business Office**

### **3. Recommendations – Non-Certified Personnel**

**a) Substitute Teacher Assistant Hourly Rate – Change Rate from \$15.37 to \$12.00/hr**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. K. Crowley, 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger, That the Board of Superintendents approves the above recommendation to change the hourly rate for Substitute Teacher Assistants from \$15.37 to \$12.00/hr. Unanimous Vote**

### **B. Discussion Items**

**1. Service Animals in Schools - Mrs. Santa shared with the Board the Service Animals in Schools agreement that she prepared for the N.K. school department. The Superintendents will bring this back to their School Committees for discussion.**

**2. Regional Programs being Building or Program Based – Discussion was had with the Board; Mrs. Santa & Atty Carroll will draft something for the Board’s review/information**

**3. 504 Plans – Mrs. Santa shared information regarding 504 Plans and concerns she had re: checklists used by school administrators.**

**4. Memorandum of Understanding Dated 6/15/81 – Mary Ann Carroll, Esq.**

**Atty. Carroll shared with the Board her concerns with the MOU.**

**5. Orientation Days**

**6. Adaptive Physical Education – Mrs. Brow shared with the Board information regarding adaptive physical education services within the region.**

**7. Parents as Teachers – This agenda will be added to September agenda for addition discussion.**

**C. Program Highlights/Evolving School-Based Needs**

**1. Budget Approval**

**Mrs. Augustus presented the Board with the “Draft” Budget Proposal for the 2012-2013 school year.**

**2. Critical Cases**

**ADJOURN FROM MEETING**

**MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger 2) Mrs. K. Crowley. To adjourn from the Board of Superintendent’s Meeting, at 2:00 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Rachel Santa, Director** \_\_\_\_\_ **Coleen Silvia,**  
**Clerk**\_\_\_\_\_